

Docket: 2882

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Roby

Serial No: 10/729,677 Examiner: Unassigned

Filed: December 5, 2003 Group Art Unit: Unassigned

For: Antimicrobial Suture Coating

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R §1.56, Applicants submit the enclosed reference for the Examiner's consideration.

It is respectfully requested that the reference(s) submitted with Form PTO-1449 be considered during Examination of the above-identified application and made of record therein. A copy of the reference(s) is/are enclosed. This submission is believed to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

The citation of the listed item(s) is not a representation that it constitutes a complete or exhaustive listing of prior art or that it constitutes prior art. The item(s) listed is/are submitted in good faith, but is/are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner, it will assist the Examiner in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

The filing of this information disclosure statement is not an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

- ( ) This information disclosure statement is being filed within three
- (3) months of the filing date of this application.
- () This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R.§ 1.491 in an international application.
- (x) To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action in connection with this case.
- () Enclosed is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (e)(i).

- () Enclosed is a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (d)
- (.) Please charge the petition fee of \$130.00 required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (i)(1) to Deposit Account No. 01-0483.
- () As set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (c), to the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before either the mailing of a final action under 37 C.F.R.§1.113 or the mailing of a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, and is accompanied by the \$220.00 fee as provided for in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).
- ( ) Please charge the \$240.00 fee required by 37 C.F.R. \$1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 01-0483.
- (x) Please charge any deficiency as well as any other fee(s) which may become due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and/or 37 C.F.R. §1.17 at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s) to Deposit Account 21-0550. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 21-0550 therefor. TWO COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.

Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Dated: 2/05/04

Mark Farber Registration No. 34,159 Attorney for Applicants

Mark Farber C/O United States Surgical, a division of Tyco Healthcare Group LP 150 Glover Avenue Norwalk, CT 06856 (203) 845-1059

# Docket No. 2882

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Roby

Serial No.:

10/729,677

Examiner:

Unassigned

Filed:

December 2, 2003

Group Art Unit:

Unassigned

For:

**Antimicrobial Suture Coating** 

# CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Date of Deposit: February 5, 2004 I hereby certify that the following:

- [x] This Certificate of Express Mailing
- [x] Information Disclosure Statement
- [x] PTO Form 1449 and Cited References
- [x] Return postcard

are being deposited with the United States Postal Service first-class mail on the Date of Deposit indicated above in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Mark Farber C/O United States Surgical, a division of TYCO HEALTHCARE GROUP LP 150 Glover Avenue Norwalk, CT 06856 203-845-1059

			Sheet I OI .	L		
FEB 0 9 700 IN	449 U.S. DEP ATENT AND TRADE ORMATION DISCLOS TEMENT BY APPLIC eral sheets if n	SURE CANT	ATTY. DOCKI 2882	ET NO.	SERIAL NO 10/729,6	
PADEMAL			APPLICANT Roby		***.	
			FILING DATE December 05, 2	_	GROUP Art U Unassigned	nit:
(EXAMINER)		U.S.	PATENT DOCUMENT			FILING DAT
TNITTALC	DOCUMENTO	DAME	NAME	CTACC	CITECT ACC	TD

EXAMINER INITIALS	DOCUMENT NUMBER						_		DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	14	4	ण	2	7	6	7	6	06/07/1977	Mattei			
	7	4	이	4	3	3	4	4	08/23/1977	Landi et al.			
	Í	4	0	4	7	5	3	3	09/13/1977	Perciaccante et al.			
	7	4	이	8	0	9	6	9	03/28/1978	Casey et al.			
	7	4	7	이	5	8	2	0	11/10/1987	Wang et al.		-	
	1	4	7	I	T	2	4	I	12/08/1987	Lehmann			
	1:	5	이	3	2	6	3	8	07/16/1991	Wang et al.			
	1:	5	I	2	3	9	1	2	06/23/1992	Kaplan et al.			
	1:	5	7	I	6	3	7	6	02/10/1998	Roby et al.			
	7	ग	0	1	7	5	5	3	01/25/2000	Burrell et al.			

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMEN	T NU	мв	ER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION		
								YES	NO	
					-					
						7				
		Π								

	١.		·
	П		
	П		
EX	IMA	NE.	R DATE CONSIDERED
EX	AM I	NE.	R: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with
MP:	EΡ	60	9; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include
CO	ЭΥ	of	this form with next communication to applicant.
			·
			(Form PTO-1449 [6-4])